HONU (HAWAIIAN GREEN SEA TURTLES) & HAWAIIAN MONK SEALS

Become a Sea Life Protector with us!

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HONU FACTS

HAWAIIAN GREEN SEA TURTLES

The Hawaiian green sea turtle (honu) is one of Hawaii’s most recognizable sea animals and is protected under both federal and state law. Honu are listed as a “threatened” species due to habitat loss and human disturbance.

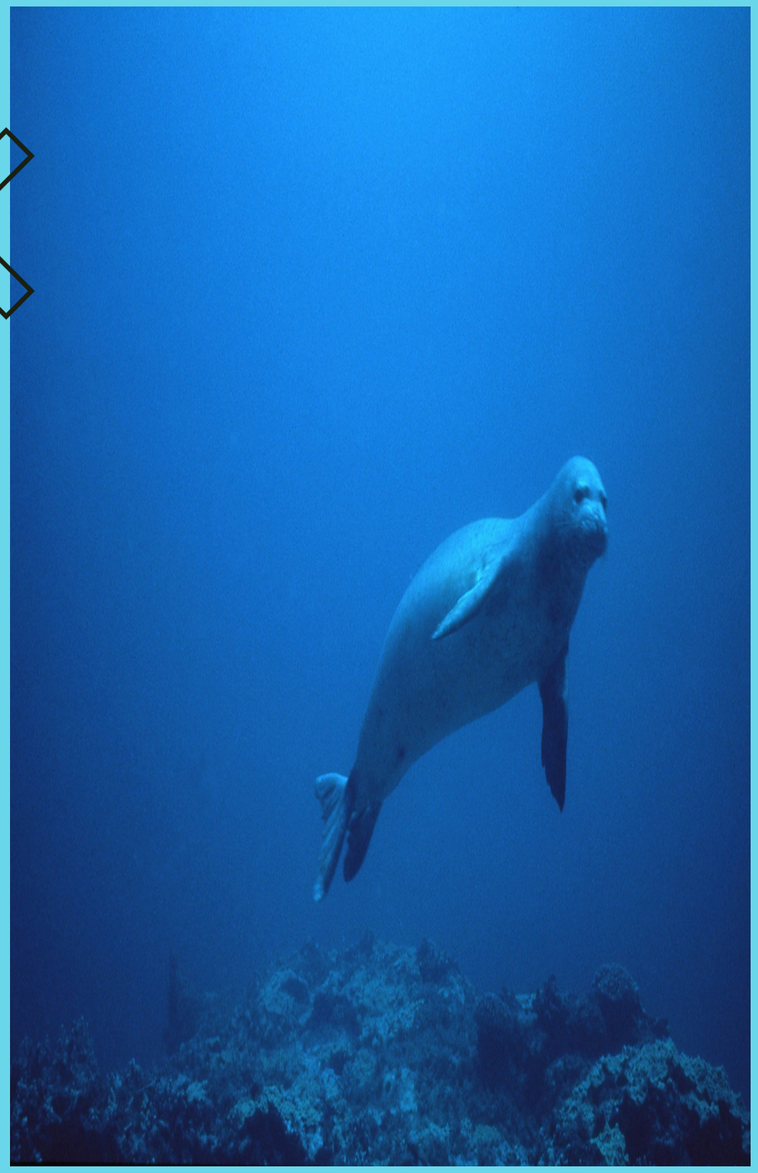
- Honu are indigenous to the Hawaiian Islands archipelago.
- Adults are about 5-6 feet long and 300-500 pounds. They can live to be 80-90 years old.
- Nesting and hatching season is May - December. They need sandy beaches with no debris for their nests.
- Hatchlings usually emerge at night and use the moonlight to reach the ocean.
- They need to rest on beaches during the day to warm up.

HOW YOU CAN HELP HONU

There are lots of ways you can help protect Hawaiian Green Sea Turtles!

- Stay 10 feet away from honu!
- Participate in beach clean ups!
- If you live near the beach, keep your outdoor lights off at night during nesting and hatching season!
- Tell your friends and family what you have learned!

HAWAIIAN MONK SEAL FACTS



Hawaiian monk seals face numerous threats including habitat loss, entanglement in marine debris, disease, and human disturbance. With fewer than 1,600 remaining, they are one of the most endangered marine mammals.

- Hawaiian monk seals are indigenous to the Hawaiian Islands archipelago.
- Adults are about 6-7 feet long and 400-600 pounds.
- They can live to be over 30 years old.
- Females usually have one pup a year between February and July.
- They are one of the rarest marine animals in the world!

HOW YOU CAN HELP HAWAIIAN MONK SEALS

There are lots of ways you can help protect Hawaiian monk seals!

- Stay 50 feet away from Hawaiian monk seals!
- Participate in beach cleanups!
- Reduce, reuse, and recycle so less trash ends up in their habitat!
- Tell your friends and family what you have learned!

QUIZ TIME: TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE!

Let's see how much you've learned about honu and Hawaiian monk seals. Answer these questions to become a **Sea Life Protector**!

How far away should you be from a honu?

How far away should you be from a Hawaiian monk seal?

What time of day do Hawaiian Green Sea Turtles hatch?

What is one thing you can do to help Hawaiian green sea turtles or Hawaiian monk seals?

ANSWERS

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How far away should you be from a honu?

10 feet

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How far away should you be from a Hawaiian monk seal?

50 feet

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What time of day do Hawaiian Green Sea Turtles hatch?

Nighttime

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What is one thing you can do to help Hawaiian green sea turtles or Hawaiian monk seals?

Give them space, volunteer at a beach clean up, share what you learned with your friends and family, and more!

Congratulations! You are now a **Sea Life Protector**!

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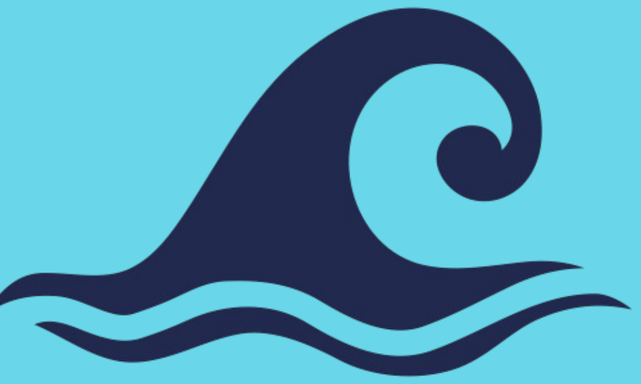
SEA LIFE PROTECTOR PLEDGE



On my honor I will try my best to be a sea life protector. I promise to care for sea life by respecting them and their environment so they can thrive on our shared planet.

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Learn More

Hawai’i Marine Animal Response
www.h-mar.org

Malama Na Honu
www.Malamanahonu.org

NOAA
www.noaa.gov

Department of Land and Natural Resources
www.dlnr.hawaii.gov

Hotline to Report Marine Life of Concern

(888) 256-9840

PRINTABLES

Honu Coloring Sheet

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Half Page Fact Sheets

Honu:

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Hawaiian Monk Seal:

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Marine Animal Protector Badge

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